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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The following remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated January 17, 2002.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claim 21 as follows (**a marked-up version of amended claim 21 is attached hereto**):

21. (Twice amended) A filter element according to claim 13, wherein at least one of the cellulose-containing filter layers includes up to 50% of synthetic fibers.

(Applicant's Remarks are set forth hereinbelow, starting on the following page.)

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